

in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Sermon

Peter Wiley

Hymn 593

HANSON PLACE

Shall We Gather at the River

**Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet
have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the
throne of God? Yes, we'll gather at the river, the
beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints
at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

**On the margin of the river, washing up its silver
spray, we will walk and worship ever all the happy
golden day. Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beauti-
ful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints at the
river that flows by the throne of God.**

**As we reach the shining river, lay we every burden
down; grace our spirits will deliver and provide a
robe and crown. Yes, we'll gather at the river, the
beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints
at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

**Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrim-
age will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with
the melody of peace. Yes, we'll gather at the river, the
beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints
at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

Benediction

Passing of the Peace

Postlude

Allegro maestoso
from *Water Music*

G. F. Handel

Service Notes:

Call to Worship adapted from *Worship Ways*, Nancy Townley.
Prayer of Confession adapted from *Liturgy Link*, The Rev. Teri
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